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The Honorable John M. Spratt, Jr. U.S. House of Representatives 1536 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Spratt:

Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of your constituent Mr. W. Cornwell Stone, regarding radio station WGCD(AM), Chester, South Carolina which is currently off the air. The staff granted the station authority to remain silent through March 11, 1996. Mr. Stone presently has a request on file seeking authority to remain silent for another six months.

Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which was recently passed by Congress and signed into law, if a station fails to broadcast for any consecutive 12-month period, the station's license will expire at the end of that period. The Commission is currently in the process of implementing this provision. As part of that effort, the Commission is reviewing the files of all silent stations in an effort to determine what action is most appropriate in light of existing rules, the newly enacted statute, and the period of time each station has been off the air. We will be examining Mr. Stone's request and will contact him directly when we have determined the action appropriate for his specific request.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart

Chief, Mass Media Bureau

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Ms. Diane Atkinson Legislative Liaison Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Chester Broadcasting, Inc.

Chester, SC 29706
Reply #8910-SML
Stock Code 181-0B2

Dear Ms. Atkinson:

This office has once again been contacted by the owners of the above-named company in my congressional district. This company has been trying to sell the AM radio station since July 1993. Since that time, the FCC has granted several requests for permission to extend the time to remain silent. The last extension was granted until March 11, 1996. I have enclosed a copy of a letter recently send to the FCC by this group of owners.

Every consideration that might be given to extending the authority to remain silent for WGCD (AM) in Chester, South Carolina for an additional 90 days will be appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in the past on this particular matter.

Respectfully,

John M. Spratt, Jr Temper of Congress

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CHESTER BROADCASTING CO., INC. Post Office Box 746 110 Gadsden Street Chester, South Carolina 29706 (803) 385-2013

March 4, 1996

ATTN: Mr. James R. Burtle Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 342 Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: 8910-SML

Stock Code 1810B2

WGCD (AM) Chester, South Carolina

Dear Burtle:

On or about September 11, 1995, the Federal Communications Commission granted permission for radio station WGCD located in Chester, South Carolina, to remain silent until March 11, 1996. Although many substantial efforts have been made to return this station to the air, we have been unable to do so as of this date, therefore, we respectfully request permission to remain silent until September 11, 1996, in order that we can effectuate the transfer to ownership of this station to a purchaser which we hope will be approved by the Federal Communications Commission. Since radio station WGCD is the only locally owned radio station in Chester County, we feel that it would be in the best interest of Chester County that this station resume its operations and provide a vital service to this community.

Since the extension granted to us on September 11, 1995, we have continued to work diligently to obtain a purchaser for the radio station. Mr. Paul Jackson of Chester, South Carolina, has contacted our office on many occasions indicating that he and some other investors are still interested in purchasing radio station WGCD. In late December, 1995, Mr. Bill Craig and Mr. Sam Rodenburger of the William Craig Group, Inc., out of Scottsdale, Arizona, contacted us and indicated that they were interested in purchasing radio station WGCD for the agreed price. At this time we are still discussing this matter with these gentlemen and it is our understanding that they will purchase the station if they are able to obtain the necessary financing. This appears to be a very legitimate offer since we are advised that one of these gentlemen is in the process of purchasing a home in Chester, South Carolina.

As I previously advised you, Chester Broadcasting Co., Inc. is a locally owned corporation and the stock is owned by two (2) other Chester county residents and myself, none of which are familiar

with the operation of a radio station. Since the station manager abruptly resigned in June, 1993, and left the station in poor financial condition, we have made every effort within our power to sell the radio station and/or return it to the air. We believe that some of the delay in selling the station and/or returning it to the air has been a result of our lack of knowledge for the radio business. However, we assure you that we have been operating in good faith and it appears that we have an opportunity to sell the station to an organization that could return it to the air in a short period of time of we are granted permission to remain silent. If you would like any further information concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to call me.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain

Very truly yours

W. Cornwell Stone, President

Chester Broadcasting Company, Inc.

Encl.: Anti Drug Abuse Act Certification

bcc: Ms. Ellen Buchanan

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The Honorable John M. Spratt, Jr. U.S. House of Representatives 1536 Longworth Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Spratt:

Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of your constituent Mr. Cornwell Stone, President of Chester Broadcasting Co., regarding his request for extension of authority for radio station **WGCD(AM)** to remain off the air. The Commission received Mr. Stone's extension request on June 1, 1995. By letter dated June 5, 1995, we granted the subject request, which will expire on September 5, 1995. I have enclosed a copy of that letter for your information.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart

Chief, Mass Media Bureau

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Enclosure

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20054

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In Reply Refer To: 8910 - SML Stop Code 1800B2

W. Cornwell Stone, President Chester Broadcasting Co., Inc. Post Office Box 746, 110 Gadsden Street Chester, South Carolina 29706

In re: WGCD (AM)

Chester, South

Carolina

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Sincerely,

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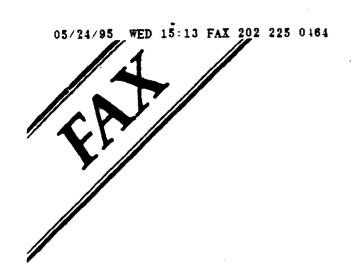
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Ms. Diane Atkinson Legislative Liaison Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20554

> Re: Chester Broadcasting, Inc. Chester, SC 29706 Reply #8910-SML Stock Code 181-0B2

Dear Ms. Atkinson:

This office has once again been contacted by the owners of the above-named company in my congressional district. This company has been trying to sell the AM radio station since July 1993. Since that time, the FCC has granted several requests for permission to extend the time to remain silent. The last extension was granted until April 25, 1995. On April 6, the company once again submitted the necessary paper work for another 90-day extension. To date, they have not received any confirmation or denial of this request.

Yesterday, May 23, 1995 a local group of businessmen contacted the company and is willing to buy it. They do not have to obtain financing and it appears from what I have been told, that pending approval from the FCC, the sale will be finalized.

Every consideration that might be given to extending the authority to remain silent for WGCD (AM) in Chester, South Carolina for an additional 90 days will be appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in the past on this particular matter.

Respectfully

John M. Spratt, Jr. Member of Congress

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Chester, South

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Sincerely,

√ James R. Burtle Chief, AM Branch

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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

W. Cornwell Stone, President Chester Broadcasting Co., Inc. Post Office Box 746, 110 Gadsden Street Chester, South Carolina 29706

In re:

WGCD (AM)

Chester, South Carolina Operational Status Inquiry

Dear Licensee:

It has come to our attention that the above-referenced station has been off the air without authority.

To verify our records, you are required to submit the following information, as applicable:

- If the station is currently operating, please state the date it resumed operations and whether these operations comply with the minimum operating schedule requirements of Section 73.1740 (Commercial AM and FM Stations) or Section 73.561 (Noncommercial Educational FM Stations). Please provide a copy of any letter notifying the Commission that the station resumed broadcast operations. Further, in the event that any AM station remains silent for a period over 6 months, it is necessary to file with the Commission, prior to returning the station to on-air operations, an FCC Form 302 for direct measurement of power which should include a partial proof of performance for stations with directional antennas. If you have not complied with this requirement, please submit a Form 302 to resume operations.
- (2) If the station is currently silent with authority, please submit a copy of the Commission letter authorizing this silence. If a request to remain silent was filed more than four months since the date of this letter, please submit an updated justification for continuing to remain off the air.
- (3) If the station is silent and has not filed a request for either an initial temporary authorization or to extend a prior temporary authorization, please submit

such a request, detailing the necessity for the station's continued silence and providing an estimate when broadcast operations will be resumed. If the station has permanently discontinued operations, please notify the Commission, forwarding the station's license and other instruments of authorization to the Commission for cancellation pursuant to Section 73.1750 of the Rules.

Please note that, pursuant to the Report and Order (copy attached), adopted by the Commission on December 11, 1991, requests for new and extended temporary authorizations must be accompanied by the appropriate certification (suggested format enclosed) regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

The requested information must be submitted to the Commission, pursuant to Section 73.1015 of the Rules, within thirty days of the date of this letter. Failure to respond or to submit a showing sufficient to justify authorization of continued station silence will result in appropriate action by the Commission to terminate your authority to continue as a licensee.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please contact Sharlene Lofty, Industry Analyst, at (202) 418-2660.

Sincerely,

*W*James R. Burtle

Chief, AM Branch

Audio Services Division

Mass Media Bureau

Enclosures

¹ Please mail your response to:

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The Honorable John M. Spratt, Jr. U.S. House of Representatives 1536 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-4005

Dear Congressman Spratt:

Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of your constituent, Mr. W. Cornwell Stone, President of Chester Broadcasting Company, Inc., licensee of radio station WGCD(AM), Chester, South Carolina. You requested that the Commission consider the licensee's continuing efforts to sell radio station WGCD(AM) before acting on its January 9, 1995 request to remain silent and also indicated that Mr. Stone has located a prospective buyer for the station. Our records indicate that the Commission received Mr. Stone's request on January 12, 1995, and mailed a response to that request on January 25, 1995, extending WGCD's authority to remain off-the-air until April 25, 1995. We are enclosing a copy of our January 25, 1995 correspondence, since it is probable that our response and your inquiry crossed in the mail.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart

Chief, Mass Media Bureau

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In Reply Refer To: 8910 - SML Stop Code 1800B2

W. Cornwell Stone, President Chester Broadcasting Co., Inc. Post Office Box 746, 110 Gadsden Street Chester, South Carolina 29706

> In re: WGCD (AM) Chester, SC

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Ms. Lou Sizemore Legislative Liaison Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Chester Broadcasting, Inc.

Chester, SC 29706 Reply #8910-SML Stock Code 181-082

Dear Ms. Sizemore:

This office has again been contacted by the owners of the above-named company in Congressman Spratt's congressional district. This company owns an AM radio station WGCD which has been silent since July 1993, and the owners are trying to sell the station.

As you will note from the enclosed letter, the owners believe that they do have a bona fide buyer for the station. The owners have submitted another request to remain silent until April 25,1995 so that both parties will be given time to work out a proposal.

Every consideration that might be given this request will be appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter in the past. If I can provide additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ellen Buchanan

Chief of Staff

CHESTER BROADCASTING CO., INC. Post Office Box 746 110 Gedsden Street Chester, South Carolina 29706 (803) 385-2013

January 9, 1995

Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Room 342 Washington, D.C. 20554

ATTN: Mr. James R. Burtle

RE: 8910-SML

Stock Code 1810B2

WGCD (AM) Chester, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Burtle:

On or about October 25, 1994, the Federal Communications Commission granted permission for radio station WGCD located in Chester, South Carolina, to remain silent until January 25, 1995. Although many substantial efforts have been made to return the station to the air, we have been unable to do so as of this date; therefore, we respectfully request permission to remain silent until April, 1995, in order that we can effectuate the transfer of ownership of this station to a purchaser which we hope will be approved by the Federal Communications Commission. Since radio station WGCD is the only locally owned radio station in Chester County, we feel that it would be in the best interest of Chester County that this station resume its operations and provide a vital service to this community.

Since the extension granted to us in October, 1994, we have continued to work diligently to obtain a purchaser for the radio station. As you will recall, we were under the impression that we had a bonafide purchaser in August, 1994, and pursuant to an oral agreement a preliminary agreement was reduce to writing wherein it was agreed that Mr. Audrey F. Murphy, d/b/a AFM Production, Inc. would purchase Chester Broadcasting Company, Inc., and radio station WGCD pending approval by the Federal Communications Commission. It was not until the middle of September, 1994, that we learned for the first time that Mr. Murphy had been unable to obtain the necessary financing.

In the last several months we have been working very diligently with Mr. Jack Nicholson, from Pageland, South Carolina, who has expressed an interest in purchasing the station. Since that time Mr. Nicholson has made numerous trips to Chester to meet with me and negotiate the conditions for the contract of sale. On or about December 27, 1994, I once again met with Mr. Nicholson and we came

to an agreement on the terms and conditions of the sale. Of course, we have advised Mr. Nicholson that the sale is conditioned of his approval by the Federal Communications Commission. We have advised Mr. Nicholson that before we sign the preliminary agreement and he applies for the approval from the Federal Communications Commission that we would like a written verification from his lender to indicate that he had obtained the appropriate financing to purchase the station at the terms and conditions agreed to. We hope to have this verification from Mr. Nicholson's lender in the near future.

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I also enclose an Anti Drug Abuse Act certification which has been duly signed and executed for your consideration.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain

Very truly yours,

W. Cornwell Stone, President Choster Broadcasting Company, Inc.

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